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Photographic plates of stars taken in Australia during September eclipse, which, by comparison, will refute or establish Einstein theory, found intact in California.

First witnesses for the defense in Herrin mine murder trial tell of violence and intimidation by armed guards employed by the operators prior to the massacre of non-union men.

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Borah proposal for international economic and arms conference will cause fight in Senate, it is evident, as naval bill discussion in Senate develops sharp preliminary tiffs.

Official Washington mysterious as to rumored commission to Europe; refuses to deny move for such body is on foot, but intimates it will be unofficial.

Senator Kellogg announces he will move discharge of Senate Banking and Currency Committee unless it reports by Wednesday bill authorizing taxes to tax national banks.

LOCAL

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Appellate Division, by vote of 3 to 2, sustains removal of George Gould as executor of father's estate.

Jenks committee consent urges removal from office of Justice Strong.

Three-held in alleged plot to swindle by bogus travelers' checks.

Railroad terminals jammed with thousands going home for Christmas.

Dapper burglar in taxi points out to detectives apartments he robbed.

Holiday lay-off of city employees averted as Craig finds way around budget shortage.

Woodin insists city must learn to burn soft coal, which may soon be only fuel available.

Alleged fake porters arrested in bond thefts which may reach \$100,000.

Smith decides on wet referendum following pledge of party platform.

Dry agents discover seaplanes being overhauled to aid rum ships off shore.

FOREIGN

Poincare ready to sign or fall on ratification of Washington naval treaty. Briand and Tardieu back Premier for ratification.

Ex-Kaiser severely condemned by mother, who had fears of his future, her private letters show.

Riza Nur Bey, at Lausanne conference, refuses to exempt Christians in Turkey from military service. Angora prohibits economic settlements and situation is again tense.

Destruction of Notre Dame Church, Quebec, Canada, in \$1,000,000 fire, last of a series, brought up in Legislature. Incendiaries charged.

SPORTS

Joe Lynch retains bantamweight title by winning fifteen-round decision bout over Midget Smith at Garden.

Manager John J. McGraw suggests benevolent fund features for Baseball Players Union.

Blue Hawk wins feature race at Oriental Park.

Goaler victor in Theater Purse at New Orleans.

MARKETS AND SHIPS

Stock prices higher.

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The Supreme Court is asked by the International Mercantile Marine Company to enjoin permanently the Federal government from enforcing against it the national prohibition act or interfering in any manner with intoxicating liquor sealed as sea stores aboard its vessels and from seizing its vessels because of intoxicating liquors in the sea stores to be sold upon the high seas.

In its application to the question of bringing sea stores into American waters the brief declared such stores are consumable provisions kept aboard vessels as part of their equipment for the maintenance of their passengers and crew, and although kept aboard an American vessel within the jurisdiction of the United States, do not make such vessels subject to the penalties of the prohibition enforcement act.

Not Intent of Congress

Neither the history nor purpose of the amendment or the enforcement act indicate, it is argued, any intention on the part of Congress to extend prohibition to vessels of the United States or to the high seas or in foreign ports. The brief sets forth that examination of Congressional debates does not disclose "a single word which would indicate in any way that the intent of Congress was to extend that prohibition would apply to vessels of the United States."

It seemed "hardly conceivable," it is added, "that Congress would place an additional obstacle in the way of the establishment of an American merchant marine when the additional burden imposed was not essential to carry out the fundamental purposes of the prohibition reform."

Can Be Wet Westbound

Declaring that should the decision of Judge Hand be sustained, "it will be impossible commercially to operate American flag steamers in the passenger trade of the world," the brief points out that the great foreign transatlantic liners will always be able to sell liquor on their westbound voyages and against such competition the American lines will be seriously handicapped because, it says, Europeans will not travel by American steamers when they can come by foreign ships and enjoy their usual wine.

Similar conditions, it adds, will prevail in the South American trade on the northbound voyages, while vessels of the United States are barred from the high ports at Bermuda or Havana. The most serious competition will come, it asserts, on the Pacific, wherein the Pan Eastern trade ships sailing from Canadian ports would have no difficulty in practically all the passenger business.

Unless the Supreme Court reverses the action of Judge Hand, steamship owners believe, the United States will be "gradually eliminated" from the high seas by the passenger trade on the high seas, the brief states.

League Bars Money Gifts

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—In order to prevent further inflation, the League of Nations representatives have forbidden the government to distribute Christmas gifts in cash to civil servants. These gifts would have amounted to 200,000,000 crowns.

PINEBURY, Conn., Hotel, Entertainment every day. Golf—9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Hunt for Bodies of Two Slayers of 2 In Louisiana

Attorney General Is at Mer Rouge to Direct Action; Bodies of Missing Men, Found in Lake, Identified

Quick Arrest of 20 Is Expected

Three Units of Guardsmen Will Be in Town To-day; Martial Law Is Foreseen

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

MER ROUGE, La., Dec. 22.—Attorney General A. V. Cocco is on his way to this town to-night to direct in person the state's action against ringleaders of the masked mob, popularly believed to be Klansmen, charged with responsibility for the death of Watt Daniels and Thomas F. Richards, Mer Rouge citizens, whose mutilated bodies were found in Lake La Fourche, near here, to-day. The bodies were identified positively to-night.

Arrests are expected to follow shortly. With the arrival of a second company of infantry and a machine gun company to-morrow, three companies of state troops will be bivouacked in Morehouse Parish to quell possible resistance to the serving of warrants. The state is said to have a list of twenty names, many of them citizens prominent in business and political circles.

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News Summary

DOMESTIC

Troops rushed to Mer Rouge, La., martial law impends, as tense situation follows finding of two bodies, believed to have been victims of Ku-Klux Klan who kidnaped five men last August.

Henry Ford's proposed new \$5,000,000 Chicago plant announced as beginning of "one of the greatest industrial developments the world has ever seen."

Photographic plates of stars taken in Australia during September eclipse, which, by comparison, will refute or establish Einstein theory, found intact in California.

First witnesses for the defense in Herrin mine murder trial tell of violence and intimidation by armed guards employed by the operators prior to the massacre of non-union men.

WASHINGTON

International Mercantile Marine file brief in Supreme Court in appeal from Hand dry decision, affirming for unabridged right to sell liquor on the high seas.

Borah proposal for international economic and arms conference will cause fight in Senate, it is evident, as naval bill discussion in Senate develops sharp preliminary tiffs.

Official Washington mysterious as to rumored commission to Europe; refuses to deny move for such body is on foot, but intimates it will be unofficial.

Senator Kellogg announces he will move discharge of Senate Banking and Currency Committee unless it reports by Wednesday bill authorizing taxes to tax national banks.

LOCAL

Exhibitors here doubt Arbuckle films will be shown again; public feeling too strong against them; Y. M. C. A. and New York Federation of Churches join protest.

Appellate Division, by vote of 3 to 2, sustains removal of George Gould as executor of father's estate.

Jenks committee consent urges removal from office of Justice Strong.

Three-held in alleged plot to swindle by bogus travelers' checks.

Railroad terminals jammed with thousands going home for Christmas.

Dapper burglar in taxi points out to detectives apartments he robbed.

Holiday lay-off of city employees averted as Craig finds way around budget shortage.

Woodin insists city must learn to burn soft coal, which may soon be only fuel available.

Alleged fake porters arrested in bond thefts which may reach \$100,000.

Smith decides on wet referendum following pledge of party platform.

Dry agents discover seaplanes being overhauled to aid rum ships off shore.

FOREIGN

Poincare ready to sign or fall on ratification of Washington naval treaty. Briand and Tardieu back Premier for ratification.

Ex-Kaiser severely condemned by mother, who had fears of his future, her private letters show.

Riza Nur Bey, at Lausanne conference, refuses to exempt Christians in Turkey from military service. Angora prohibits economic settlements and situation is again tense.

Destruction of Notre Dame Church, Quebec, Canada, in \$1,000,000 fire, last of a series, brought up in Legislature. Incendiaries charged.

SPORTS

Joe Lynch retains bantamweight title by winning fifteen-round decision bout over Midget Smith at Garden.

Manager John J. McGraw suggests benevolent fund features for Baseball Players Union.

Blue Hawk wins feature race at Oriental Park.

Goaler victor in Theater Purse at New Orleans.

MARKETS AND SHIPS

Stock prices higher.

Acting Governor Platt, of Reserve Board, urges nine-month paper be made eligible for redemptions.

Corn Products to pay \$3 extra dividend and make regular pay \$4 a year.

First Aid to Toddler Saves His Lollypop, Too

Sandy Patrolman Coaxes Gasp- ing Infant to Part With Sweet in Windpipe

The ingenuity of Patrolman John S. Collins extricated Frank Porti from a serious predicament yesterday. The boy, who is eighteen months old and lives at 84 West Street, Brooklyn, attempted to swallow a small-sized lollypop without preliminary mastication. The candy stuck in his throat, and while Frank gasped and fought for breath his mother ran with him to the Police Street police station. The boy was on the edge of suffocation.

The desk sergeant phoned for an ambulance. Patrolman Collins, who is a family man of experience, picked up the boy in his arms and placed his mouthpiece against the child's lips.

"Blow it," said Collins. "Blow it!"

Frank blew a raucous blast on the mouthpiece. The candy was dislodged, and the ambulance came carrying Frank home. Then he went back to the lollypop.

Find Becker Is Guilty of Wife Murder

Jury Out Just One Hour After Judge Issues His Charges; Sets Record in Bronx County Court

Denied Charge To End of Case

Woman's Body Found in Pit, Arrest of Mate Made Shortly After

A jury in the Bronx County Court early this morning declared Abraham Becker guilty of the murder of his wife, Jennie, whose body was found on November 29 last in a disused boiler pit in a vacant lot at the intersection of 135th Street and Southern Boulevard, the Bronx.

The expected climax to the trial, which broke all records for a night session in Bronx County, came at 11:47 o'clock. The jury retired at 12:47 a. m., after Judge Gibbs had charged them on the issues of the case for fifty-five minutes. Before the verdict, which was returned after exactly one hour's deliberation, Becker maintained his poise and appeared more cheerful and confident than at any recent period of the trial.

Becker has firm grip on self. As the foreman of the jury pronounced the word "guilty," Becker's face paled. He showed no outward signs of distress, although his face twitched slightly and his Adam's apple worked as if he were on the verge of a breakdown. To the end the convicted lawyer held his feelings in strong control.

Judge Gibbs remanded Becker for sentence until Tuesday morning. Afterwards it was learned that on the first ballot the jury stood eight for conviction, first degree murder; one for conviction, second degree murder, and three for acquittal. The verdict came on the third ballot.

Alexander Mayer, Becker's counsel